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- 1. THERE FOLLOWS IN AS MUCH DETAIL AS IS AVAILABLE AT THIS TIME SCENARIO FOR VISIT OF SECRETARY TO GHANA. AS EMBASSY HAS INFORMED DEPARTMENT, FOUR-DAY CLOSE DOWN OF GOG LEAVES FEW QUESTIONS STILL UNANSWERED.
- 2. PRINCIPAL CHANGE TO EARLIER PROGRAM IS HOUSING OF SECRETARY WITH REMAINDER OF PARTY AT CONTINENTAL HOTEL. STATE HOUSE SEEMS UNACCEPTABLE AND LODGING AT PEDUASE LODGE WOULD DEMAND TOO MUCH TRAVEL TIME TO MEET SECRETARY'S REQUIREMENTS IN GHANA. LUNCHEON AND MEETING FOLLOWING IT WOULD, HOWEVER, BE AT PEDUASE LODGE.
- 3. SCENARIO:

APRIL 29

11:05 A.M. ARRIVE AT KOTOKA AIRPORT. GREETED BY
COMMISSIONER FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS COLONEL
ROGER J.A. FELLI. GREET MEMBERS OF
DIPLOMATIC CORPS AND SENIOR GOG OFFICIALS.
MEET BRIEFLY WITH FELLI, AMBASSADOR BLACK
AND ASSISTANT SECRETARY SCHAUFELE JOINING.

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11:20 A.M. DEPART AIRPORT FOR CONTINENTAL HOTEL.

11:25 A.M. ARRIVE CONTINENTAL HOTEL. PERSONAL TIME.

12:30 P.M. DEPART CONTINENTAL HOTEL FOR PEDUASE LODGE.

1:00 P.M. ARRIVE PEDUASE LODGE. GREETED BY COMMISSIONER FELLI. DRINKS PRIOR TO LUNCHEON. WE WILL PROVIDE GUEST LIST AS SOON AS IT IS AVAILABLE. WE EXPECT PRESS WILL BE INCLUDED, BUT CANNOT YET CONFIRM THIS. IF PRESS IS INCLUDED IT WOULD PRESENT OPPORTUNITY FOR INFORMAL CONTACTS.

1:30 P.M. GO IN FOR LUNCHEON. AT END OF LUNCHEON SECRETARY WILL BE TOASTED BY COMMISSIONER FELLI AND WILL BE EXPECTED TO RESPOND. WE HAVE ASKED FOR TEXT OF COMMISSIONER'S REMARKS AND WILL PROVIDE SUGGESTED RESPONSE BY SECRETARY.

2:45 P.M. ADJOURN FROM LUNCHEON AND PROCEED INTO MEETING ROOM FOR DISCUSSIONS WITH GOG COMMISSIONERS. WE ANTICIPATE PRINCIPALS ON GHANAIAN SIDE WILL BE FELLI, COMMISSIONER FOR ECONOMIC PLANNING ROBERT GARDINER, COMMISSIONER FOR TRADE AND TOURISM COLONEL K.A. QUARSHIE, COMMISSIONER FOR INDUSTRIES LT. COLONEL GEORGE MINYILA AND SPECIAL ASSISTANT TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR FINANCE KWAME FORDWOR. THEY WILL PROBABLY BE ACCOMPANIED BY THEIR PRINCIPAL SECRETARIES, BUT WE WILL CONFIRM THIS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. AMERICAN SIDE, IN ADDITION TO SECRETARY. AMBASSADOR AND SCHAUFELE WOULD BE DRAWN FROM GROUP TRAVELLING WITH SECRETARY, AND WE PROPOSE AID DIRECTOR W. HAVEN NORTH AND ECONOMIC COUNSELOR RALPH GRANER FROM EMBASSY STAFF.

3:45 P.M. MEETING CONCLUDES. SECRETARY DEPARTS PEDUASE LODGE FOR ABURI GARDENS. WHILE AMBASSADOR WILL ACCOMPANY WE REQUEST DEPARTMENT TO INFORM US WHO ELSE WOULD ACCOMPANY SECRETARY. IT WOULD CONFIDENTIAL

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NOT, IN OUR VIEW, BE REQUIRED THAT ALL ACCOMPANY AND SOME COULD RETURN DIRECTLY TO HOTEL. (SEE ALSO INCLEMENT WEATHER SCENARIO APPENDED IN PARAGRAPH 4 OF THIS MESSAGE.)

4:00P.M. ARRIVE ABURI GARDENS AND TAKE SHORT WALKING TOUR. PRESS PHOTOGRAPHIC OPPORTUNITY.

4:30 P.M. DEPART ABURI GARDENS.

5:15 P.M. ARRIVE CHANCERY (NOTE THIS IS SUGGESTED CHANGE TO PROGRAM IN REFTEL AS WE BELIEVE TRANSPRORTATION ARRANGEMENTS WOULD MAKE IT PREFERABLE SECRETARY MEETING EMBASSY STAFF PRIOR TO FREE TIME AND THUS AVOID DOUBLE TRIP FROM CONTINENTAL HOTEL TO CITY PROPER.) WE WOULD APPRECIATE DEPARTMENT'S INFORMING US OF STAFF WHO SHOULD BE INCLUDED IN MEETING WITH SECRETARY. WE ALSO SUGGEST ALTERNATIVE SITE COULD BE AMBASSADOR'S RESIDENCE WHICH IS NEARER HOTEL.

5:30 P.M. DEPART CHANCERY FOR CONTINENTAL HOTEL.

5:50 P.M. ARRIVE CONTINENTAL HOTEL. THIS TIME COULD BE LATER BY AS MUCH AS TEN MINUTES AS THIS IS HEIGHT OF RUSH HOUR. BEGIN PERSONAL TIME.

7:15 P.M. DEPART CONTINENTAL HOTEL FOR CASTLE.

7:30 P.M. ARRIVE CASTLE. MEET WITH HEAD OF STATE AND CHAIRMAN OF THE SUPREME MILITARY COUNCIL GENERAL IGNATIUS ACHEAMPONG. AMBASSADOR BLACK AND ASSISTANT SECRETARY SCHAUFELE TO ACCOMPANY SECRETARY AS WELL AS NOTE TAKER FROM SECRETARIAT STAFF. WE ASSUME ACHEAMPONG WILL BE JOINED BY FELLI AND SECRETARY TO THE SUPREME MILITARY COUNCIL EBENEZER MOSES DEBRAH AND NOTE TAKER. WE WOULD EXPECT PHOTGRAPHIC OPPORTUNITY.

8:30 P.M. JOIN OTHER GUESTS WHO HAVE ARRIVED FOR DINNER. CONCLUDE DRINKS. DINNER, NO TOASTS. CONFIDENTIAL

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11:00 P.M. (APPROXIMATE) DEPART CASTLE.

11:20 P.M. ARRIVE CONTINENTAL HOTEL.

APRIL 30:

7:00 A.M. DEPART CONTINENTAL HOTEL FOR AMBASSADOR'S RESIDENCE. (THIS IS SUGGESTED ADDITION TO PROGRAM.)

7:15 A.M. ARRIVE RESIDENCE. BREAKFAST WITH AMBASSADOR BLACK.
ASSISTANT SECRETARY SCHAUFELE AND OTHER PRINCIPAL
MEMBERS OF PARTY ACCOMPANYING.

8:15 A.M. DEPART RESIDENCE FOR KOTOKA AIRPORT.

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 $8\!:\!50$ A.M. TAKE LEAVE OF DIPLOMATIC CORPS AND GOG OFFICIALS. FAREWELL TO COMMISSIONER FELLI.

9:00 A.M. BOARD AIRCRAFT.

4. INCLEMENT WEATHER SCHEDULE:

3:45 P.M. DEPART PEDUASE LODGE FOR GHANA NATIONAL MUSEUM.

4:20 P.M. ARRIVE MUSEUM. WE WILL PROVDE NAME OF PERSON CONDUCTING TOUR AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

5:00 P.M. DEPART MUSEUM.

5:10 P.M. ARRIVE CHANCERY OR RESIDENCE.

5. AS NOTED ABOVE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION WILL BE PROVIDED AS AVAILABLE. BLACK

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